

RISK-INFORMED TREATMENT OF STRUCTURES, SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS

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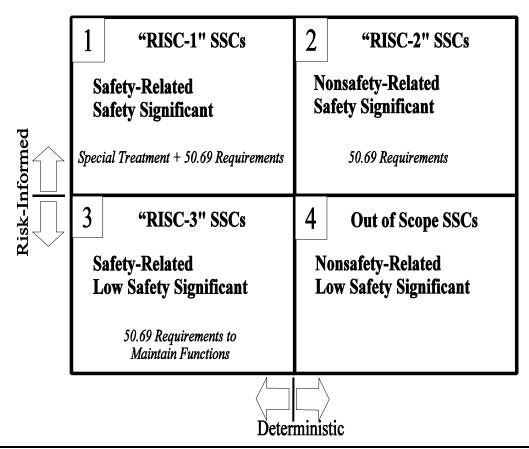


OBJECTIVES OF RULEMAKING EFFORT

- Establish an alternative regulatory approach that enables licensees to risk-inform treatment requirements
- The regulatory framework that implements this alternative will maintain safety; while reducing unnecessary burden, improving staff efficiency and effectiveness, and enhancing public confidence
- Utilize pilot plant experience to support the staff's development of regulatory framework and technical approach



CATEGORIZATION OF STRUCTURES, SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS





RULEMAKING APPROACH

- New Rule 10 CFR 50.69 Assurance Requirements
 - Identifies rules in which a risk-informed (Appendix T) scope may be used
 - Provides additional assurance requirements for RISC-1 & 2
 - Provides assurance requirements for RISC-3
- Appendix T Categorization of SSCs
 - Integrated process that uses risk and engineering insights
 - Must consider RG 1.174 and SECY 99-007 factors
 - Requirements for PRA use, quality, scope and updating
 - Requirements for use of integrated decision-making/expert panel
 - Requirements for performance monitoring, corrective actions, and a feedback mechanism



INPUTS NEEDED FROM INDUSTRY

- Pilot program integral to proposed approach
- Implementation guideline
- Treatment required for RISC-2 & 3; what assurance is provided by "commercial grade"?



ISSUES

- Selective implementation
- Effect on Other Regulations
- Staff Review Requirement
- Identification and Control of Treatment Attributes



SCHEDULE

•	Rulemaking plan due to Commission	10/1999
•	Draft NEI guideline submitted to staff	12/1999
•	Issue STP exemptions	6/2000
•	Categorization pilot program complete/issue exemptions	7/2001
•	Proposed rulemaking to Commission	9/2000
•	Final rulemaking to Commission	10/2001
•	Final rule issued (implementation begins)	3/2002